Comprehensive Trauma-Care on National Highways

1131. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are planning to introduce comprehensive trauma-care system for victims of road accidents on National Highways across India;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(c) by when the proposed system would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Provision of assistance in case of road accident is basically the responsibility of the State Governments. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides assistance to the States/Union Territories (UTs) under the scheme of 'Assistance for Capacity Building' for upgradation of emergency services/trauma care facilities in hospitals including those located near the National Highways for the purpose of treatment of accident victims.

This Ministry also provides ambulance to States/UTs to evacuate victims of accident to the nearest medical centre under National Highways Accident Relief Service. Scheme (NHARSS). In addition, National Hgihways Authority of India deploys and ambulance at an average interval of 50 Kms. under their operation and maintenance contracts/build operates transfer agreements on the completed stretches of National Highways entrusted to them.

National Highways in Karnataka

1132. SHRI K.B. SHANAPPA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Highways in Karnataka State, the length (in Kms.) and uncompleted NH in Karnataka State;

(b) whether there is any plan to take up new NH in Karnataka State which are the districts/villages covered under these National Highways; and

(c) whether any proposals in this regard have been received from Government of Karnataka?